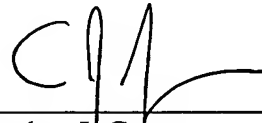


REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are allowable.

Applicants believe that no fee is necessary in connection with this Preliminary Amendment. But in the event that the Commissioner determines that additional fees are due, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees required therefor to Milbank's deposit account no. 13-3250, order no. 36080-00802. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAGE IS ENCLOSED HERewith.

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